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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Murdin *et al.*
APPLICATION NUMBER: 09/428,122 EXAMINER: Sarvamangala Devi
FILING DATE: October 27, 1999 ART UNIT: 1645
FOR: CHLAMYDIA ANTIGENS AND CORRESPONDING DNA FRAGMENTS AND USES
THEREOF

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Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

- Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (8 pgs.);
- Petition Two-Month Extension of Time (1 pg.);
- Check No. 18828 in the amount of \$420.00 for Two-Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2);
- Check No. 18829 in the amount of \$770.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e); and
- Return Postcard.

Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/428,122. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is an Amendment and Response to Final Office Action. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the Amendment and Response to the Final Office Action should be entered and considered.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19721-007.

Respectfully submitted,

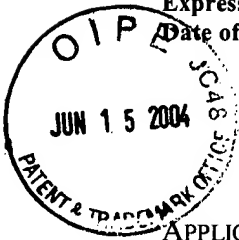
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO JANUARY 21, 2004 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to the January 21, 2004 Final Office Action. Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 and the required fee. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and the required fee are also submitted herewith. With this extension, these documents are due on or before June 21, 2004.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19721-007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are shown starting on page 5 of this paper.